



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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ARAI et al.

Group Art Unit: 2851

Application No.: 09/608,067

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For: REAR PROJECTION DISPLAY DEVICE

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: April 17, 2003

Sir:

The Office Action dated October 17, 2002 has been received and carefully noted. The period for filing a response having been extended from January 17, 2003 to April 17, 2003, by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, the following remarks, are submitted as a full and complete response thereto.

**REMARKS**

No amendments were made in this response, and therefore no new matter has been added. Thus, claims 1- 38 are pending in the present application and are respectfully submitted for reconsideration.

Claims 1-8, 11, 13-21, 24, 26-33, 36 and 38 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Shikama (U.S. Patent No. 5,285,287) in view of Suzuki et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,379,010 B1, hereinafter "Suzuki"). In making this rejection, the Office Action took the position that Shikama teaches all the features recited in the rejected claims except for "a polarization direction of at least one color component out of the image light

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